

THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA met on Monday, February 21, 2011 at met in Special Meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the Showers City Hall, McCloskey Room, 401 North Morton Street, with President David Walter presiding.

I. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: David Walter, Elizabeth Kehoe, John West, Jim Muehling and Michael Szakaly

Commissioner(s) Absent: Michael Gentile

Staff Present: Lisa Abbott, Marilyn Patterson and Janet Roberts

Other(s) Present:

II. READING OF THE MINUTES. None.

III. EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS. None.

IV. REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

A. Director's Report. No report.

C. Budget Summary Reports.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

A. RESOLUTION 11-03: Approval of the Citizens Advisory Recommendation for the 2011 CDBG Allocations. Abbott explained that the Department is expecting a fairly significant cut in both the CDBG and Home Grants. The speculation is that CDBG could be cut as by as much as a two thirds but, or little no reduction to HOME. She explained that even though cuts are expected, we still need to meet all the required deadlines. Abbott said we will proceed as normal. She will go to the Council and present the allocations they were recommend to the by the CAC.

Abbott is requesting that the RDC approve the recommendations with the stipulation that if the reduction is less than 20%, we will go by the plan recommended by the CAC which will be to cut everyone's money across the board evenly. If the reduction is more than 20%, we will need to re-do the entire process and do a substantial amendment to the Action Plan and re-submit it to HUD before we can proceed.

Szakaly asked if the Social Service agencies be notified of the possibility of the cuts. Abbott said they are aware of what might happen, but she would officially notify them after the Council meeting on Wednesday.

Abbott noted the resolution reflects that there might be changes in funding if the reductions are implemented.

Michael Szakaly moved to approve the Resolution with the approved process included in the event of funding cuts. John West seconded the motion. Resolution 11-03 was unanimously approved.

ADOPTED.

Walter asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Resumption of Regular Meeting.

VII. BUSINESS/GENERAL DISCUSSION

A. Approval of Partial Release of Mortgages for 2305 and 2129 S. Rogers. Abbott explained the City is doing a sidepath along S. Rogers St. and needs to purchase right-of-way at 2305 and 2129 S. Rogers. The Department currently has loans on 2305 and 2129 S. Rogers. The request is to approve partial releases for these properties. The right-of-way descriptions will be removed from the mortgages of the two properties, but the mortgage amounts and terms remain the same. The property owners have the option to use the money to pay down the loans if they choose.

John West moved to approve the partial release of mortgages for 2305 and 2129 S. Rogers. Michael Szakaly seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Abbott informed the Commission that Senate Bill 550 is a bill that will change the authority the Redevelopment Commission. It could have sweeping effects on all the RDC's in the state. Currently the RDC's are the sole decision making bodies for the TIF's. If the bill passes, those decisions will require Council approval. The bill will also require Council approval for RDC property purchases.

Abbott said because the changes would slow down the property purchasing process for the RDC, Margie Rice is looking into an alternate process if the bill passes. There was further discussion about the negative impact of the bill on the Redevelopment Commission.

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VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

David Walter, President

Michael Gentile, Secretary

Date